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Docket No. 75998-AA/JPW/GJG

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Steve S. Sommer et al.
U.S. Serial No. : 09/986,381
Filed : November 8, 2001
For : MEASUREMENT OF MUTATION LOAD USING THE
P53 GENE IN HUMAN CELLS FROM PARAFFIN
EMBEDDED TISSUES

1185 Avenue Of The Americas
New York, New York 10036
March 10, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby request three-month extension of time in connection with the above-identified application. On September 12, 2005 an Office Action was issued in connection with the subject application to which a response was due December 12, 2005.

Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time for responding to the September 12, 2005 Office Action from December 12, 2005 to March 12, 2006. The required fee for a three-month extension of time is FIVE HUNDRED AND TEN DOLLARS (\$510.00) and a check for this amount is enclosed. Accordingly, the subject application is pending on March 12, 2006.

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If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing

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prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided.

No fee, other than the enclosed \$510.00 extension of time fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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